(c) what was the rate of recovery taken in each case and upto what date assessment was made; and

(d) when was each case referred to collector of Revenue and when was it withdrawn?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) The required details to the extent available would be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

Price approval to the products of Small Scale Units

1362. SHRI DHARANIDHAR BASUMATARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3734 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 1988, and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that those small scale sector units which are marketing their medicines through organised sector units are not exempt from price control;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of major selling medicines are being sold without price approval at very high prices under this arrangement;

(c) what are the reasons for not collecting these details and fix their prices;

(d) what are the details of cases falling under this situation where his Ministry fixed the prices under DPCO, 1987;

(e) whether it is a fact that the companies are not seeking price approval under this situation; and

(f) what are the reasons for not taking action against them under the Essential Commodities Act?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (f) Required information will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

Part payments of overcharged amounts from Drug Companies

1363. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 461 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th September, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is accepting part payments against the amount due worked out as overcharging;

(b) the names of the companies from which part payments were accepted;

(c) when and what was the total amount worked out in each case;

(d) what is the policy in respect of instalments and whether any guidelines have been issued in this regard;

(e) by when the total amount in each case is likely to be recovered; and

(f) what were the basis on which only three cases were referred to the Collector of Revenue for recovery and not all the cases where amounts have been worked out?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The details of amounts assessed by the special team in respect of 7 companies and the amounts received are given below: